

# STRATHMORE STANDARD

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## Town Annual Meet

Only 9 ratepayers, including the Mayor and two Councillors were present at the annual meeting, held Friday, February 1st.

After the minutes and the financial statement had been adopted the following matters were discussed:

1. The projected water scheme for Strathmore.
2. Taxes for school purposes.
3. The large hospital unit.
4. Sanitation and garbage disposal.

Before adjourning a vote of thanks was passed to Mayor Gannon and the members of the Council.

## Red Cross

### CARSELAND ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Carse Land Red Cross was held on February 4th, despite a very small attendance.

It was the unanimous decision of the meeting to continue our organization for 1946. The Sec-Treas' report showed a total of \$1426.09 raised during 1945 and a grand total of \$5432.19 raised since the Branch was organized. The sewing report showed a total of 1072 articles of sewing and knitting shipped to Headquarters. Of this total the Carse Land ladies made 716 articles and the U. F. W. A. ladies, north of town, made 356 articles. The grand total for the war was 5279 articles of sewing and knitting.

The following slate of officers were re-elected for 1946. Pres.-Mr. D. J. McKinnon, Sec.-Mrs. N. J. Mutch, Vice-Treas. and Campaign commit. Rev. W. Selber, Mr. R. Barlow, Mr. Blair Field and Mr. Max Phillips. The Women's Work Committee Mrs. C. B. Field Convenor, Mrs. E. Krueger, Mrs. W. Gillespie.

The regular weekly sewing meetings will start next Tuesday, February 12th, and continue until Easter, if necessary. We are being asked to make articles of girl's clothing and urge everyone to do their share. Considerable wool is also on hand to be made into childrens long sleeved sweaters. Remember the first sewing meeting February 12th. and be there to help.

## HUSSAR

On Friday evening, a stag party was held at the Rex Cafe in honor of John Chang, who will be leaving Hussar soon, after residing here for 25 years. He has sold the Cafe to Mr. Godfrey Nielsen, and intends to visit friends at Bassano and Calgary before settling down again. Speeches were made by Mr. R. Janz, when he presented Mr. Chang with a handsome wrist watch with the best wishes from his many friends; by the Mayor, E. J. Bell, and by Mr. H. D. Brown and Mr. H. Buck Schmidt.

On Friday evening, in the community hall, a party was given for James Kelly and his bride, new Miss A. C. Nelson: dancing was the past time. After the lunch, Mr. E. J. Bell, in behalf of their many friends, presented the couple with a silver donation. They will make their home in this community. The committee in charge were: the Nielsen brothers, the Bratons and other neighbors.

## Respected Citizen Passes

The death of a highly respected pioneer citizen occurred Wednesday, February 6th, at her home when Mrs. Olive Christine Jones passed away after a lingering illness of several months.

Suffering from heart trouble and other ailments Mrs. Jones contracted flu in an acute form which she was unable to overcome.

Mrs. Jones, Olive C. Simonsen, was born at Wareken, Iowa 68 years ago.

In 1908 Mr. and Mrs. Jones and family came to Canada and took up land in the Strathmore district, where they lived until 1918 when they moved into Strathmore, where they have since resided.

Mrs. Jones was an active member of the Presbyterian Church until the Union in 1925, and since has carried on an active interest in the United Church, in which she was Secretary of the Ladies Aid for several years.

Left to mourn the loss of a devoted wife and mother are her husband, B. F. Jones, two daughters Mrs. Reece Jackson of Washington, Frances at home and three sons Harold in Van-

## LYALTA

— By Mrs. R. N. —

Lyalta Community is drawing near the close of its parties for returning servicemen and women, having welcomed home twelve boys and one girl from overseas service there being two more yet to entertain.

At each party those returning have been presented with monogrammed Parker Pen and Pencil sets. Those having received presentations to date are Geo. Zabreck, Bertha Deeg, Herb Jones, Rae, Gordon McKenzie, Gordon Stewart, Russell Aubrey, Ralph Montague, Ken Sallis, Ronald Aubrey, Raymond Bur, Tod Player.

The community also has great cause for thankfulness in that, of the fifteen who were overseas, all have returned in health and no serious wounds.

As a climax to their activities the community entertained all service personnel at a luncheon in the hall on February 1st. Fifteen servicemen were present. Games and stunts were played during the fore part of the evening, and at midnight all personnel, with guests, were seated at a gay table. Flags, figures of allies, taners and cut flowers in the traditional Red White and Blue being used as decorations.

After a delicious luncheon F. McKenzie in a few well chosen words on behalf of the community thanked the honored guests for a big job well done, to which F. O. W. Gorman replied for the service personnel. While seated all were entertained by an impromptu program and a sing song, after which the tables were cleared and old and young enjoyed a dance till the small hours.

Lyalta can be justly proud of its boys and girls, as being a very small district, we had twenty eight boys and two girls in uniform, none coming from over five miles from our little town.

cover B. C. Lester at home and Carl at Donalds, one brother and one sister in North Dakota, and four grandchildren.

The funeral will be held from United Church, Strathmore, Saturday, February 9 at 2:00 p.m. Rev. S. R. Hunt officiating.

Full bearers, T. Glendinning, H. Platt, M. B. Garrison, P. Schuman, N. Wold, M. J. Crellin.

Meltnis and Holloway in Charge.

## New License Plates

READY BY MARCH 20

New motor license plates for the year opening April 1 will be available to the public on March 20, according to information which the Alberta Motor Association has received from the provincial secretary's department.

If the plates are issued at the time stated in March, it is believed that this will avoid a rush on April 1.

## HERVEY

— By M. W. L. —

Rev. and Mrs. Jack Janz, who live in Toronto, Ontario are rejoicing over the birth of a son, Phillip Allen born January 29th. Mrs. Janz was the former Violet Hesp.

Mrs. Risseaux would like the Hervey sewing Club to meet at her home for the February meeting on the 13th. All ladies please bring a little lunch. Mr. Serres Sadler has been under the weather for a week or so due to cold. He is in hospital in Calgary, and was improving favorably, according to latest report.

Mr. Jonathan Ellerby a brother of the late Mrs. Robert Agar died January 23 at his daughter's home in Strathmore, Ontario, at the age of ninety years and five months.

## SPORTS

Strathmore Red Wings motored to Banff Saturday to play an exhibition game at the Banff Carnival.

The local team was defeated 4-0 by the Banff Club in a fast moving game played before a fair crowd. The Red Wings scored a tying goal at the last bell but this was disallowed.

Strathmore scorers were: Wilkins, Groves, MacLaughlin.

The Banff Mountaineers will play a return game here on Saturday night, February 9th.

## Local Milk Tests Superior

Milk samples submitted to the Provincial Bureau of Standards by L. F. Ostergaard, of the Strathmore Dairy, received high marks in the tests which they were submitted to.

The milk was supplied by local herds, and constitutes a new line of raw milk which Mr. Ostergaard is handling because of repeated requests from some of his customers for the unsterilized product. In butterfat it is above standard, and according to the report, the milk is very clean and the sediment is very good.

## COUNCIL ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

### CHANCELLOR

— By Mrs. J. M. W. —

C. Marsh, Carl Madsen, W. W. Leichman, Jim Fenske and Howard Christensen, are big game hunters in the Pincher Creek district. Good luck boys.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Madsen entertained with a costume party at their home on Thursday. Many pretty and novel costumes were worn. Bingo quiz and guessing games were played till the wee small hours of morning. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Hans Hoffmestier, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Young, Miss Betty Angel, Mrs. Chas Christensen and Howard, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wheatley, but who was Susie.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Chamney entertained at dinner on Friday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Sam J. Blair of Calgary

Monday was Nomination Day in Strathmore, and nominations for Mayor and two councillors were being received at the Town Hall. In all four nominations were submitted; for Mayor T. S. Hughes was the only name submitted, and for Councillor, three names were submitted, G. H. Patrick, G. E. Quirin and J. Vermunt. Mr. Vermunt, however, declined to stand, and therefore since there are two candidates only, Mr. Patrick and Mr. Quirin are elected by acclamation. First meeting of the newly formed council will be held on Monday, February 18th.

who are visiting for a few days. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Phillips, Mrs. Annie Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wheatley. About 50 friends and neighbors called on Mr. Nels Miller on Friday evening to congratulate him on his birthday. Card games were the chief entertainment of the evening after which coffee was served. Everyone had a grand time.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. N. P. Nielsen, has her father, Mr. P. Nielsen in hospital, we wish him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. G. C. Phillips was hostess to a number of ladies on Monday and received congratulations on her birthday. A dainty tea was served and a pleasant afternoon was enjoyed.

## COMING EVENTS

The Namaka Ladies Aid are holding a Valentine Tea at the home of Mrs. Klitzgaard Thursday February 14th. Tea will be served from 2 to 5. Everyone welcome.

Just keep March 19th, open.

Department of Agriculture and National Film Board are presenting interesting Educational Features at: Rockyford, February 12th. Meadowbrook, February 13th. Herrington, February 14th. Nightingale, February 15th. Mr. Bolt on will show National Films to Nightingale W. I. after noon, February 15th.

Home and School Association Meeting, Monday February 14th at 8:00 p.m. in Memorial Hall. Programme will consist of 1. Community Recreational Centres, Mr. S. Ullerud (University of Alberta) 2. Presentation of Scholarship to Wheatland Division, Grade IX Pupils; 3. National Film Board Pictures; 4. Musical Interludes. Keep this date free.

Don't forget the U. F. A. Card Party and Dance, Friday February 8th, at 8 p.m. Everyone Welcome.

The Junior and Senior C. G. I. T. Groups will hold their Annual Valentine Tea and Bake Table in the basement of the United Church on Saturday, February 16, at 3 p.m. \$1.40

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## DALEMEAD D. V. V.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Hauswirth and family and Mr. and Mrs. Fries and daughter have returned after a month's holiday in the States.

Mr. I. J. Gosling has returned from overseas. Welcome home Red.

Miss Ethel Miller of Calgary was home helping while her mother has been ill.

A number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Angus McKinnon honoring Mr. and Mrs. M. M. King who will be leaving the community shortly. Pot Luck supper was served after which all joined in a sing song. Mr. A. McKinnon presented Mr. and Mrs. King with a traveling bag and bouquet of flowers. Mr. and Mrs. King expressed their thanks to all present. We are sorry to see these friends leave our community. Out of town friends were Mr. and Mrs. O. Moorhouse of Calgary, Mr. and Mrs. L. McKinnon of Calgary and Mr. Fred McKinnon of Fort Norman Wells.

Miss Lillian Kautz spent the week end with Miss Edna Pederson.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Newton spent the week end with relatives and friends.

Miss Ruth Hawkins of Cochrane was a week end guest at the W. Miller home.

Quite a number of farmers attended the Agriculture short course at the Hudson Bay store in Calgary. A few of the ladies accompanied their husbands.

## RURAL GLEICHEN

A. S. Towers has gone for a visit to the Western States.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Hayes were Calgary visitors this week.

Mrs. J. A. MacArthur was confined to a Calgary Hospital for several days as a result of a fall that broke both bones in her left arm.

Mrs. A. F. Wilson is visiting relatives in Calgary.

Mrs. Rose Cunningham underwent an operation at the Holy Cross Hospital, this past week.

Mrs. Denton Sammons, who has been confined to the hospital for several weeks expects to leave for home Sunday.

Saturday evening the Gleichen Legion held a smoker and it was also the occasion for installing the officers for 1946. A considerable number of World War II Veterans joined. Many former members from Calgary and other points were present.

The next meeting of the U. F. W. A. will be held at the home of Mrs. J. W. Hutchinson on February 14th.

### EARLY SETTLER PASSES

Mr. W. D. Smith, a long time resi-

Mr. I. J. Gosling is visiting at the A. VanDerVelde home.

Mrs. Edna Pederson and Lillian Kautz spent a few days visiting with Mrs. Ed. McKinnon at Aldrie.

ent of the Gleichen district passed away in hospital in Calgary on Friday, February 1st. Mr. Smith was 51 years of age, and had been a resident of Gleichen district since the last war. He was employed here by the Western Irrigation District. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Florence Smith.

## ROCKYFORD

— By M. K. —

Louise Bellisle was rushed to the Holy Cross hospital for an appendicitis operation late Saturday night. She is recovering very well.

Mr. Ed Wilson was in the hospital last week with "Blood Poisoning".

Mr. Emile Cammaert left for Ontario last Thursday. He will attend a "purebred Shorthorn" sale before returning home.

Gerald Muenchbriath is expected to arrive home from overseas this coming Friday. Gerald left Canada just a few days before his son "Kenny" was born.

The C. Y. O. members are going to hold an Ice Carnival and Raffle at the Rockyford Rink on Friday, February 8th. Prizes are going to be awarded to the winners of the races, to the winners of the broomball game, to the best dressed and to the most comically garbed person.

Mr. Kenny Katterhagen has been ill in bed for the past few days.

A large group of the parish-members went to Calgary last Sunday to attend the invitation of the new candidates for Knights of Columbus. Among the candidates were; Dick Kaester, Peter Guraert, Harvey Katterhagen (Jr.) Mike Stinn, Tony Springs, Jim Dahm, Renus, Sylvan and Edwin and Muenchbriath, Bill Kathol, Ray Koester, Frank Hendle, Alfred Hendle, Joe Crough, Harold Stark, Tony Kalbhen, and Eugene Bellisle.

Mr. Tom Cartwright has been forced to temporarily close his recently opened taylor shop because of illness. A very exciting hockey game was witnessed here recently, when the Rosebud team met the Rockyford juveniles first game of the season, they won by a close margin of 5-4.

## NIGHTINGALE

— By Mrs. F. H. —

Miss Mary Awcock of Acme, was a week end guest of Kathleen Joel at the Morgan home.

The young folks of the community held a very pleasant party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stoodley last Wednesday. It was to be an outdoor party but owing to cold weather they decided to remain indoors.

Friends of Milo Fleming are pleased to learn of his return from overseas. He expects to visit Nightingale very soon.

Miss Myrtle Stoodley spent the week end at home.

Mr. Hawleigh McCune invited a large number of friends to his home last Saturday evening to celebrate Art Farr Jr's birthday. There were music and stunts and also parlor games and the time passed very quickly. A delicious lunch was served and all wished Art many happy returns of the day.

The rate payers of Valley Garden district are holding their annual meeting at the home of Geo. Thurston on February 13th at 2 p.m. Show your interest in school affairs and be present at this meeting.



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**Deadly Poison**

Water Hemlock is very poisonous and quite common in sloughs and wet ditches. Cases of livestock poisoning are reported from time to time and would probably be much more common were it not for the fact that the plants have a very bitter taste and are not relished by farm animals.

The tall leafy plants with many small white flowers in flat-topped clusters and growing in wet places familiar to all observant Westerners, are almost sure to be either Water Hemlock (very poisonous) or Water Parsnip (harmless). Everyone should be able to tell the difference and the best way is to pull the plants and examine the roots. Water Hemlock has several thick fleshy roots, just underground about the size and shape of a man's little finger. Don't bite into them because death may be quick and painful! Water Parsnip has numerous fibrous roots, but no thick ones.

The two species may also be distinguished by means of leaf characters. Photographs of entire plants, of leaves, and of roots have been reproduced on a printed leaflet. Copies may be obtained, free of charge, from Line Elevator grain elevators. Country school teachers would be well advised to avail themselves of this opportunity.

Water Hemlock in pastures should be pulled and burned, especially if feed is running a little short and stock generally hungry.

**A Human Interest Story**

We, the McNells, who owned him, and all who knew him, have lost a friend in the death of "Tom," Strathmore's pet crow. He was known to all, having lived in their midst from May 1938 to January 20th, 1946.

He learned to talk in 1939 and caused many a smile to admirers and much joy to us. He said "hello" as plainly as a human and his laugh and shout could be heard from one end of the town to the other. He was always a great attraction to children, as he trusted them all and joined in their play with great enthusiasm, yelling and scolding at the top of his voice. He lived in the trees and never went very far away from home but had to be kept in a building at night, much to his disgust. He liked to come up on the steps and would have a merry hello or big laugh for all who came out.

We will miss him as we have grown up with him, the youngest member of our family being only one year old when we got Tom. However we can be thankful for such pets to cheer us along our way. To have a pet who could actually talk and seemed to understand all that was said to him has been a great experience.

I have written a little:

**TRIBUTE TO TOM**

We'll miss you Tom,  
 Now you are gone;  
 And we don't hear the whole day long  
 Your happy voice.

We'll want you Tom,  
 And so will all  
 Who knew your old familiar call;  
 But we've no choice.

We'll need you Tom,  
 Through every day;  
 We'll miss your spirit that was gay  
 Unto the end.

We'll love you Tom,  
 As on we go  
 Through all our lives, we'll never know  
 A truer friend.

We'll think of you Tom,  
 And your merry ways;  
 And we'll be lonely for you always,  
 In all we do.

We'll remember you Tom,  
 In the years to come;  
 And thank God, though your spirit's dumb,  
 That we had you.

Mrs. Jack Groves,  
 (nee Edythe McNeill)

**ARREARS?**

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**SUGAR**  
**Stops the Show**

A recent statement by a Public Relations Council for South American interests has caused a mild stampede among housewives.

He said that sugar rationing in Canada was unnecessary and absurd, an economic monstrosity as long as surplus stocks of sugar exist in South America". He also said, "There is no

**LANGDON**

—By G. F. W.—

Connie Wilson met with a painful accident over the week end, when she was thrown from her horse. She is in Calgary at present receiving medical attention. We understand that her arm is broken in two places, and will have to be put in a cast. It will mean the loss of school for a while, for Connie, as it is her right arm. "Chin up Connie."

Mrs. A. Matul is up and around again after her attack of the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Valentine our local C. P. R. section foreman have just received word from their son, Howard, saying he will be in Calgary on Friday afternoon. Howard has been overseas for some time, and arrived at the East Coast on the H. M. S. Seythia. Welcome home Howard.

The weather man is up to his old tricks again. After having most of the roads plowed out, they drift up again overnight. Keep smiling, spring is just around the corner.

Three Cheers. The Langdon hockey team are sure doing their "stiff" this last while. Three straight wins in a row; Strathmore & Langdon, Beiseker & Langdon, Feb. 1 9-3. Dalemead & Langdon, Feb. 3 11-3. Keep up the good work boys, we're pulling for you. Who's carrying the rabbits foot?

We hear there is to be an Ice Carnival at Langdon sometime before the snow disappears. Just what this will be and when this event will take place we cannot say; but keep your eyes on Langdon news for further information.

Mrs. A. Brander and Aileen spent Saturday in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Watson and family spent Saturday in Calgary.

Mrs. Frank Thomas is out again after her recent illness.

**SCIENCE SOLVES  
 WATER PROBLEMS**

LONDON—Thanks to the fine work of Britain's scientists during World War II, problems connected with hard water that had been insuperable for years have been solved. A modern method of water softening has been devised which uses certain minerals called zeolites—substances which possess the property of taking out lime and magnesium from water and replacing these chemicals by harmless sodium compounds. In the post-war world the housewife will have cause to bless the scientists for water softeners will save her hours of toil as well as money, and her husband will find that his razor will probably give him three times as many shaves as in former days. Great economies, too, will be effected in factories, and wastes now dumped into rivers will be saved; already a process has been found to reclaim the nicotine lost in tobacco curing and the pectin from citrus fruits waste.

longer any adequate justification for sugar rationing in Canada".

Now, Mrs. Johnny Canuck wants the answer to that one.

Here it is, in a nutshell.

There is a small surplus of sugar in two countries, Peru and Brazil, but South America grows only enough sugar for her own consumption and if any were brought in from either Peru or Brazil, the same amount would have to be sent back from the "sugar pool" of the Combined Food Board at Washington.

Great Britain, Canada and the U. S. A. by joint agreement and co-operation, works under a combined sugar pool and allocate to each country its fair share of all sugar supplies.

Another thing, if this sugar were allowed into Canada it would sell at almost three times the present price of approximately 8c per pound.

H. J. Hobbins, Deputy Sugar Ad-

ministrator for the Prices Board says "the fact that sugar is selling in South America for nearly three times the price of Cuban sugar surely proves that there isn't much of a surplus there in spite of statements to the contrary".

True, offers of sugar have been received from large private sugar plantation owners in two countries of South America, Peru and Brazil.

If these offers had been accepted, no extra sugar would be available for Canadian consumption as the same amount would have been deducted from our allocation from the Combined Food Board.

The Government has no complete knowledge of the exact quantities of sugar production in either Peru or Brazil but any surplus on hand there will be eagerly bought up by other countries of South America for their own consumption.

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## RURAL HOSPITALS

Action in committee form has been underway for some time, inquiring into the possibilities of establishing a rural hospital in the area centering on Calgary. Suggestions have been made that it comprise the area from Cluny to Morley and Okotoks to north Crossfield. For this area, a hospital with approximately 185 beds would be required, and the committee has gone ahead with suggestions that it would be an excellent principle to build in Calgary, where specialists would be readily available, and all the advantages of city hospitalization would be offered.

It is pointed out, that of course, the rural doctors would be members of the hospital board and would be free to visit and treat patients, or practice surgery, if they desired.

Advantages of the scheme are supposed to consist in low cost to the patient . . . most rural hospitals in the province operate profitably at a general rate of \$1.00 a day for hospitalization, and in the ownership of a modern hospital, giving complete service, at a low rate because of the lack of necessity for profit.

However, since the committee have been probing for information as to costs and site in the city, much new information has come to light. For instance, it is felt now that the municipalities cannot offer equivalent facilities in the city for any material difference from the city rate. It is pointed out that the municipalities were charged only operating cost plus interest during the last year, and while figures are not as yet available for the year 1945, for 1944 cost ran up to \$4.25 per day per patient and over \$4 was fee.

Now the rural municipalities committee is inquiring into what other arrangements might also be effected. Suggestions have been made on all sides. Number one is that the Calgary General Hospital, which is now planning a new \$6,000,000 building, continue to hospitalize patients from the country at cost plus interest. Number two is that the municipalities and the city build adjoining hospitals, with an interlinking kitchen and operating suite, with overhead charges being borne on a proportionate basis for the joint fixtures. And a third is that the General Hospital, when the new building is complete, sell the present unit to the municipalities.

All of these suggestions would seem to be contrary to the interests of the ratepayer, and also at times to the interests of the patient.

It has already been pointed out that the city is offering accommodation as cheaply as the municipalities can do in the city. Cheap hospitalization, the dollar a day rate, was based on a hospital in the country. And rural costs also are going up. For instance the hospital in High River feels that they will have to charge more this year, though what rate is required is not said. It seems unlikely, however, that they will require to jump from one dollar to four.

Using this as a premise, what are the municipalities to gain from erecting a hospital in the city? Certainly nothing in facilities. A 185 bed hospital obviously cannot offer the same as one over three times its size. Certainly not cheaper accommodations. It now appears the municipalities cannot operate more efficiently than out. And certainly not at a lower tax can the General. Their committee was surprised suddenly to find this rate. The original estimate was \$585,000. Calgary's estimate for a hospital only three times as large was \$3,000,000. Proportionately, we could expect to pay about a million. And one of Calgary's aldermen feel that their estimate should have run closer to five million.

That is a lot of money. And taxpayers who are going to feel the increase in the millrate should be told what the increase will mean to them. The original figure estimated would mean an increase of about three and a half mills, at normal interest. No one has estimated what any increased capital expenditure would mean.

From a physical point of view, we feel that a four bed sick bay in town would be preferable to a large hospital at thirty to fifty miles away, inasmuch as we already have these facilities. If a patient is dangerously ill, or injured often the trip over country roads to the city is enough to further injure him in any case, where attention in a local hospital would suffice. Often a patient is not sick enough to need the move to a city, but still requires care. And insofar as the argument regarding specialists is concerned we already get them any time we want them, by travelling to the city.

The only argument for the municipalities and villages building their own

## CLUNY

—BY A. L. C.

The Annual Meeting of the Cluny Church board, W. A. and Sunday School was held on Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Edmund, with Rev. and Mrs. S. Hunt of Strathmore honored guests. The meeting took form of a chicken pie supper, which was greatly enjoyed and the business meeting followed, showing a very good financial standing in all branches.

A farewell party was held at the home of Mrs. F. Nowicki on Thursday evening in honor of Mrs. I. Agate who is leaving Cluny for Edmonton where Mr. Agate is stationed. In his post as road master on the C. P. R. Mrs. Agate was presented with an Electric Iron on behalf of the assembled guests by Mrs. F. Fairbairn, who in a few well chosen remarks expressed our regret over the departure of the Agate family. Mrs. Agate has been an active member of our W. I. and on the Sunday School staff and will be missed by all. The evening was spent in playing bridge and what many a shout of laughter was heard, as bids were made or almost made.

Winners in Bridge were Mrs. Alvin Clark and Lynn Gordon and in Whist Mrs. Goldsmith and Mrs. J. Amos. Altogether a very pleasant evening.

Thanks to the Board of Trade's efforts we now have a very good train service at Cluny with No. 7 Westbound at 7:23 a.m. and No. 8 Eastbound at 10:34 p.m. being made a flagstop, that gives a whole day in Calgary, and I am sure will be well taken advantage of.

Funeral services were held Monday from Jacques Funeral Parlors, in Calgary, with Rev. D. A. Ford officiating. Interment followed in Queen's Park Cemetery.

hospital is to extend or improve the existing facilities. A hospital in the city obviously would not extend anything. Nor according to the figures now being shown, would it improve anything.

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# FARMERS' COLUMN

—By R. J. M.—

An interesting piece of information has come to my attention and it is so important that it is worth bringing to the attention of all farmers who read this column. In fact I suggest that you talk about it to your neighbors and have them get the necessary seed testing done. It appears that an area extending from Red Deer in a south easterly direction to Chancellor and west to Calgary are finding very unsatisfactory results from the germination tests in the above area. Tests as low as 65 per cent have been obtained. The above area was theoretically mapped from the land location given by the farmers who had low germination tests. Since our area is largely in the above territory it behooves every farmer to have a germination test made. This can be done at home using the blower system or by sending it to the Plant Products Division, Dominion Department of Agriculture, Immigration Bldg., Calgary. A one pound sample is required for the above test accompanied by a fee of 75c.

At this season of the year farmers are cleaning their seed and making provision for spring work. A cleaned sample should be sent for testing. The above suggestion applies more particularly to growers of registered seed but it is available to all other farmers. The low germination test applies to wheat, oats and barley in the above area.

A further service available to the farmers of the Prairie Provinces is provided by the Line Elevator Farm Service, Winnipeg, Manitoba. In this case a 4 to 6 ounce sample is required for a germination test. Up to January 15, 4,007 samples have been received for testing by the above organization. Another very essential fact is the

testing of our seed for smut. In 1944-45 crop year, 356 cars of grain were found to be smutty; this is an unnecessary loss, not only from the reduced yields but also from reduction in price. Considering the weakened germination that might be present in our grain, a farmer is well advised to refrain from using formaldehyde to control smut but he should use the mercury dusts; such as corosan or leytosan. This work can be done during the winter and immediately following the cleaning of the seed. A proper machine for treatment should be used, together with a respirator or even a dampened handkerchief around the nose and mouth will help to provide the necessary protection.

Loose smut which permeates the seed (itself) can be controlled by the recognized hot water treatment. If your seed is so infested sell and procure other infested seed. The covered smutts can be controlled by the mercury dusts.

One would think a farmer has a period of rest from his labors during the winter but the proper planned farm work will keep him busy all year around, if his seed has been cleaned and treated and he has trees that require pruning now is the time to do this chore. Dead trees can be removed from the wood lot to the wood pile and cut up. The large branches removed during pruning can also be made into fire wood.

In addition to the above chores it will soon be time to treat our cattle for Warble Flies, therefore a good suggestion is to get the seed grain ready for use before our Fly campaign gets under way.

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## NAMAKA

—By M. W.—

A good time was had at the card party held in the community hall on Tuesday evening. Winners of the bridge prizes were Mrs. Loy Wheeler and Mr. Otto Wheeler, and of the whist prizes Mrs. Earl Baker and Mr. Edward Fawkes. The last of this series of parties will be held on February 13th, with Mrs. Klugard, Mrs. Moss and Mrs. Alex Petersen as managing committee. There will be another guessing contest.

Mrs. Robert Thomson returned Wednesday morning after spending a week in Calgary.

Don't forget the Valentine's Party at Mrs. Klugard's. Aaron Williams and two sons of St. Catharines. Ont. spent a couple of weeks visiting his brother and sisters here.

Mr. and Mrs. James Kirmack had as their guests for a few days Mrs. Kermack's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fowler. Leonard Wathen has arrived home from overseas.

## DOMINION CONTEST FOR CALF CLUBBERS

Announcement has been made that the Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada will again this year sponsor a special Judging Contest among Calf Club members throughout the Dominion in connection with the All-Canadian Selections of Holstein cattle. Prizes amounting to \$100 are being offered to the winners. The Contest is open to all boys and girls who are this year showing Holstein calves in their Clubs.

From amongst the animals nominated for All-Canadian consideration, a committee of judges will select up to six in each class. Photos of these selections will be published in the December issue of the Holstein-Friesian Journal. From these pictures, a committee consisting of judges at the major shows throughout the Dominion will choose an All-Canadian and a Reserve All-Canadian in each class.

From the published photographs, the competing boys and girls must designate their choice for All-Canadian and Reserve All-Canadian in each class. Points will be awarded for each decision that agrees with the official version, and the prizes will be awarded on the basis of the total points scored.

## STANDARD

—(By D. M. S.)—

Mayor Arnold Maahse, Chaplain Corps, U. S. A. will visit Standard on Wednesday, February 13th. He has served the armed forces at New Guinea, the island where the Japanese forces were halted on their onward rush toward Australia. He has seen the destruction of war and proposes a way of peace.

On his visit to Standard he will lecture and show a talking film in the church coming Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. He will be accompanied by the Rev. P. Mahr of Calgary.

After the showing of the film a social hour will be held and occasion will be given to meet the visitors.

The friends from the Gleichen Community will be our special guests. The program for the evening will be sponsored by the Dorcas Society.



## Church Notes

### ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS' (ANGLICAN)

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Rev. D. A. Ford B. A. L. Th. Rector  
Sunday, February 10th, 1946. 5th Sunday after Epiphany.

8:30 a.m.—Holy Communion.

11:00 a.m. Sunday School.

7:30 p.m.—Evening Prayer.

St. Andrew's, Gleichen—

11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer.

Cluny—

2:00 p.m. Evening Prayer.

### UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

Strathmore—Alberta

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Sunday, February 10, 1945.

11 a.m.—Church School.

7:30 p.m.—Curler's and Hockey

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UNITED CHURCH, FEBRUARY 10

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UNITED CHURCH, CARSELAND  
Rev. Walter E. Sieber, Pastor

Service in the Carseland United Church at 2:00 p.m. February 3rd.

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### LUTHERAN CHURCH, STRATHMORE

—M. Jorgensen, Pastor—

Friday, February 8th. The United Ladies Aid will meet in the home of Mrs. Th. Knowlton at 2:30.

Saturday, February 9th. The Confirmation Class will meet at 2:30.

Sunday, February 10th.

10:30 a.m.—Services, English.

12:00 Sunday School and Bible Class.

8:00 The Y. P. S. will meet.

Wednesday, February 13th. 8:00 Program sponsored by the Dorcas Society at church.

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## Warning All Potato Growers

With the arrival of table potatoes at several points in Alberta from the United States, officials of the Alberta Department of Agriculture are warning potato growers that the use of these potatoes for seed would be an extremely dangerous practice. Some shipments which have been inspected have been found to contain late blight and other diseases which we cannot afford to introduce here.

Even in cases where these potatoes are bought only for table use, the peeling and refuse should not be left around in the spring since late blight spores from this refuse may readily contaminate the next crop. It is known that the States from which these potatoes are coming are having considerable difficulty in keeping bacterial ringrot under control and unfortunately it is fully expected that ringrot may be one of the diseases carried by these imports.

Good safe seed potatoes are scarce. Those who have no reason to believe that their own potatoes are diseased would be well advised to select the best of them for planting this year. Where disease is suspected in the potatoes grown at home, careful inquiries should be made before buying new seed.

## ABCA ADAPTED FOR CIVILIANS

LONDON—The Carnegie United Kingdom Trust founded by Andrew Carnegie—the Scotsman who became a millionaire steel magnate in America—to "promote the wellbeing of the British people" announces a quarter of a million pound scheme for the establishment of a Bureau of Current Affairs which will provide for the population as a whole the type of service given in wartime by the Army Bureau of Current Affairs. ABCA founded in 1941 has become a highly popular service. Platoon commanders keep men in touch with events by leading discussion groups based on ABCA bulletins which are now distributed not only to Army and Navy establishments throughout the world but also to Canadian forces. Mr. W. E. Will-

Housewives, Livestock Producers. Sunflower Seed Growers to Benefit. The Dominion Department of Agriculture has struck oil! True, its only salad oil but by bringing in this sunflower Department scientists should help Western Canadian farmers to make a million dollars this year.

The million dollars will come from this year's crop of sunflower seed, source of one of the finest edible oils; if Western growers show the 28,000 acres recommended by the latest Dominion-Provincial Agricultural Conference and if the crop is a good one.

There is urgent need for a large crop of sunflower seed this year to help to meet the lack of domestic shortening. In Canada, at present no household commodity is in shorter supply than shortening. Lard production has fallen from 120,000,000 pounds in 1944 to 57,000,000 pounds in 1945 and will probably not exceed 45,000,000 pounds in 1946. Housewives who lament being unable to give their cakes and pies that old-fashioned richness or who now refrain from treating their families to a batch of doughnuts will benefit by the success of the sunflower seed grower, as about 90 per cent of the extracted oil will be used for shortening. To help make this year's crop and the crops of succeeding years more remunerative to the grower, the Department has created a new variety of sunflower seed now licensed as "Advance"—an appropriate name, as this new creation yields 25 to 30 per cent more seed per acre than existing varieties and has not only a higher percentage of kernel but a higher percentage of oil in the kernel.

Sunflowers have been grown in Canada for some 70 years since Mennonite fugitives from Czarist Russia

came who has directed ABCA from the beginning is resigning to become Director of the new Carnegie Bureau. The latter will not itself organize discussion groups but will provide service for many statutory and voluntary bodies expected to join the scheme. Press comment today stresses the value of this type of dissemination of knowledge for healthy democratic existence.

## TILLAGE AND SOIL

Pulverized soil is a forerunner of erosion. Tillage implements which tend to leave the soil loose and finely pulverized should be avoided unless they can be operated in such a way as to prevent this condition. Experimental Farms have demonstrated that trash cover, a lumpy or clumpy condition of the surface, and the prevention of the loose, pulverized surface are essential measures for the control of soil erosion.

A. M. Wilson, Field Crops Commissioner, draws attention to certain new types of tillage machinery, advocated for use in areas of high rainfall in the United States and Eastern Canada, that are finding their way to Alberta farms. The manufacturers of these implements recommend their use because they leave the soil even and finely pulverized. Farmers beware! These implements are not designed for Alberta farms and the loose, pulverized soil brought about by their use must be avoided. Before purchasing implements of new types their use should be recommended by Experimental Institutions. The new tillage machines now appearing should be thoroughly tested before farmers make large expenditures for implements which may not be satisfactory.

brought with them seeds of a variety now known to Canadians as Mennonite, a variable strain that often develops in different forms. For example, the Mennonite flower produced in Southern Manitoba differs greatly from the weaker-stemmed variety of the same name produced in the Rosethorn area in Saskatchewan.

The quality of Canadian-grown sunflowers was improved when in 1937 the Experimental Farms Service in its Saskatoon Forage Crops laboratory selected and inbred the most promising lines of sunflower seed obtained from Soviet Russia. This selection is named Sunrise.

The two varieties, Mennonite and Sunrise, have been the source of Canada's expanded sunflower production, expanded because the war limited the supply of other edible oil-producing seeds. (Peace-time production was largely limited to Mennonite colonists who made no attempt to extract the oil but consumed the seeds as a nut or fed them to their poultry and livestock.)

A guaranteed price for sunflower seeds was largely responsible for production rising from a negligible acreage before the war to 17,300 acres in 1944. With the Canadian Wheat Board paying five cents per pound for top quality, it is possible for a grower to get an average return of 140 per acre, with returns varying up to \$75 per acre. Many Western farmers have found this more remunerative than growing wheat, although admittedly it takes more work. As with every crop sunflower seed has its peculiar problems; the destructive effects of the sunflower moth and attacks by birds who like nothing better than to alight on the sunflower heads and peck at the seeds. Then, too, the price of five cents per pound applies only to seeds weighing so many pounds per bushel and because of the uneven nature of Mennonite a grower has never been certain of getting a crop that was uniformly plump.

Dr. Stevenson stresses the value of this crop. He says that it is the source of one of the finest edible oils which during the war largely replaced olive oil for salad oil purposes in Canada and which is also used in vegetable shortenings. When the oil has been extracted from the seeds, the meal (containing up to 47 per cent of protein) can be fed to livestock. Even some day the seed hulls may some day be put to use as they contain furfural, an organic chemical used in the manufacture of resin plastics and in purifying motor oils and materials used in synthetic rubber.

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## COWS CAN MAKE NEWS

This is the time of year when stock taking is the order of the day.

Even on the Experimental Station we have to settle down and analyze the results of the work that has been done during the past twelve months. Sometimes quite interesting information comes out of such a study. In this letter we will deal briefly with some features of the Holstein herd at the Station.

The herd never has more than 17 cows milking at any one time because that is the limit of accommodation available. The cows are maintained on the basis of twice a day milking and home grown feeds. At the end of the year there were 14 females in the herd with one or more completed lactations. Two old cows with 8 lactations each had produced a total of 116,201 pounds and 124,635 pounds of milk respectively. Another cow with 6 lactations had a total production of \$2,015 pounds from there on it ranged down to 11,423 pounds for the poorest animal with only one lactation. There is no question that a cow that can reach the ripe age of ten years and produce well over 100,000 pounds of milk under good average conditions is

a very useful type of cow to have in a herd. In fact, there are relatively few of them in existence.

Another way of measuring a herd is through Record of Performance tests. In 1945 all cows were on test and all that completed records qualified. The poorest cow had 104.4 per cent of required production of milk and 102.9 per cent of required production of fat. The best cow had 165.8 per cent of required production of milk and for butterfat the best cow had 168.4 per cent of the required standard. This shows that careful selection and breeding, plus average management, can produce a herd well above the average for the breed.

Cost of milk production is always of interest. At the Experimental Station an accurate record is kept of all the feed required both for the dry period and the actual milking period of the cows in the herd. During 1945 the average feed cost for producing 100 pounds of milk was 74 cents and the average feed cost for each pound of butter fat produced was 20 cents. This was based on current values of the feed used and was slightly higher than in the previous year. To this

## Maj.-Gen. F. F. Worthington, C. B. M. C., M. M.

Soldier of fortune who fought against the famed Mexican bandit, Pancho Villa; a private in the Black Watch in World War I who rose to commissioned rank and who won both the Military Medal and the Military Cross twice; one of Canada's most ardent advocates of more armour and more mobility and General Officer Commanding a Canadian Armoured Brigade overseas in World War II, Major General Frederic F. Worthington, C. B. M. C., M. M., has been named to command Western Command of the newly reorganized Canadian Army with headquarters at Edmonton.

At 55 Major General Worthington can look back on more than 30 years of soldiering, from action in rebellions in Nicaragua and Mexico and through the Great Wars of 1914-18 and 1939-45. Born in Scotland he emigrated at an early age to California and as soon as he completed his education at the University of Southern California he was off to the wars—first a rebellion in Nicaragua, then fighting against Pancho Villa in Mexico.

At the outbreak of World War I he hastened to Montreal from Chile where he joined the Black Watch as a private. Going overseas in 1915 he remained at the front until the end of the war except for a brief period in hospital after being wounded. He won the Military Medal twice, at the Somme and at Vimy, and Military

Cross twice. When hostilities ceased he was Capt. Worthington of a machine gun regiment.

Demobilized in 1919 he joined the Canadian Permanent Force with the view of making the army his life career. He attended machine gun and tank schools and later the Army Armoured Fighting Vehicles School and was detailed for duty as chief instructor at the Canadian Armoured Vehicles School, Camp Borden, later becoming commandant. Fiery and colorful, he championed the use of tanks in modern warfare.

His resourcefulness became a tradition in Canada's growing Army in the latter days of 1929 after he took command of the Armoured Vehicles school.

First he used an old Ford car to train his men in tank fighting methods. Then he used obsolete American tanks to train his growing division. He called upon his experience as a miner, sea-going engineer and soldier to teach his men what to do in battle. All the while he was developing his medium tank which was to become standard equipment for Canadians.

Elevated to the rank of Brigadier he took the First Canadian Armoured Brigade to England for training. In 1941 he was appointed to command an Army Tank Brigade and in February, 1942, he became G. O. C. a Canadian Armoured Division overseas with the rank of major general.

He returned to Canada in 1944 to command Camp Borden and in March 1945 was appointed General Officer Commanding-in-chief, Pacific Command.

## BERRY-VALE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The first meeting of the New Year was held at the home of Mrs. Leonard Hilton, on Thursday, January 10th. The roll call was household hints. Provincial and constituency dues for the New Year are paid, and all the members present subscribed to the W. I. paper "Home and Country". Two new members joined Mrs. Clifford Dawson and Gordon Kears. Names were drawn for Sunshine Friends for 1946. There were eight members and one visitor present.

Thursday, January 24th, the meeting was scheduled to be held at the home of Mrs. Brook but she was unable to have it due to the fact that they are snowed in. Mrs. Leonard Hilton kindly offered her home again and several members helped provide the lunch. There were eight members present and the roll call was sewing hints. The treasurer was asked to send for one dozen creed cards and two dozen song sheets. Mrs. Hilton donated a large crocheted dollie to go raffled, the proceeds to go into the sick fund. Mrs. Clifford Dawson was the lucky winner. Ornaments were made for a card party and dance to be held in Berta Vale school on Friday, February 1st. Admission 25c, ladies please bring lunch. All the prizes are being donated by W. I. members. A short paper entitled "Remoni Review" was given by Mrs. Thomas Taylor followed by a talk on the "Care of Clothes" by Mrs. L. Hilton. These will be entered and illustrated in our scrap book on Home Economics.

The next meeting is at the home of Mrs. Thomas Taylor on Thursday, February 7th.

## HUSSAR

By M. C. B.

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After six years of active work, first with Mrs. T. Burdett as President, and then for the past few years, with Mrs. V. P. LeGrandeur as President, the Hussar Branch of the Red Cross Society, at its annual meeting held on Thursday, decided to disband for the present. According to the annual report submitted by the Treasurer, Mr. H. B. Stitt, the Branch raised \$1,539.21 during the year 1945. In December by vote of members, \$731.68 were donated to the fund for the Red Cross Hospital for Crippled Children; the rest of the funds were spent on supplies, expenses, etc. The Hussar Branch has made and shipped in 158 articles, mostly quilts; according to report of secretary, Margaret C. Bell.

On Sunday, the bunk house, used by Mr. Guy Langdon as his home on his farm the Wilson place, north east of Hussar, was burned to the ground. Mr. Langdon was severely burned in the face and the neck. Mr. Fred McIntosh discovered the flames, and came to his assistance, but nothing could be done to save the house. Mr. McIntosh brought Mr. Langdon to Hussar, and the Schaffer Brothers took him on to Bassano, where his burns were dressed by Dr. Scott, and where he is at present in the Bassano Hospital.

must be added the feed cost of maintaining the herd sires and developing calves and young stock. It becomes evident then that the cost of feed becomes an important item in total cost of milk production. Therefore, any cow that is not producing a liberal amount of milk cannot be expected to pay for food and other costs. The greater the amount of milk produced by a cow the less will be the cost per 100 pounds.



HARMONY (ARBOUR

Two vocal stars meet in "Harmony Harbour" for the listening pleasure of CBC Trans-Canada network listeners on Sundays at T.C. 9:45 a.m. They are Doris Dunlop, contralto soloist of con-

cert hall and radio, and Josephine Manbarino, who casually auditioned for radio one day in the mid-thirties and has been devoting his talents to the microphone ever since. Both artists broadcast from Halifax.



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## Local News Items

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Wright had as their guests Sunday, Mr. William Morrison, Mrs. Wright's brother, Mrs. Morrison and daughters June and Ray and Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Jones, all of Calgary.

Mrs. Schulte spent the week end at the McMurray home.

Mrs. Earl Gillespie came from Calgary Friday to spend the day with her Mother who is suffering from the flu.

Major and Mrs. Leslie Hand and two children spent last week visiting friends in Calgary and Lethbridge, before Leslie takes over permanent civilian duties.

Billy Julian spent the week end at home, coming to Calgary with the U. of A. Chorus.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Campbell, and family, were guests, at a surprise party last Sunday, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hermanson, celebrating Mr. Hermanson's birthday. A good time was enjoyed by everyone.

Word has been received recently that Paul LeFavre, one time popular member of the Strathmore Royal Bank has been moved from Okotoks to Barons, Alberta.

Mrs. Douglas Ford and baby son returned to their home Monday.

Mrs. Homer Nelson is staying with Mrs. Frank Jones who has had a serious attack of stomach flu for the past week. We hope for a complete recovery soon.

We are sorry to learn Mrs. J. A. McArthur had the misfortune to break her arm in a fall last week. She had it set in Calgary and is now resting at home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Keeling have purchased the former J. A. French home and will move in as soon as the Patten house is completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Koch and family are moving into the home recently occupied by their parents.

The Ladies Aid of United Church met at Mrs. Folk's home Thursday.

Just one week left to buy tickets for your favorite Candidate for Queen in the Hockey Carnival Friday, February 15. This will be a gala event and all roads will lead to Strathmore for the event.

L. A. C. Walter Backs dropped in on a few friends Wednesday, on his way up to Calgary from Brooks, where he spent a few days visiting his sister, Mrs. M. Vossler.

Miss Winnifred Porteous was the week end guest of Miss Evelyn Foreckel of Okotoks, Alberta.

Mrs. Oliver Wright left early this week for Brooks, where she will spend some time with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Max Walls.

February 10 to 17 is National C. G. I. T. Week in Canada. An extensive program is planned. Part of the local program will consist of joint church services, when all of the girls will at-

tend St. Michael's and All Angels service on the 10th., and the United Church service on the 17th.

Monday afternoon Mrs. Walter Mercer invited nine wee guests to make merry on the occasion of her son Charles' fourth birthday. The Grandparents, also Berta Vale teacher, Miss Womacka were present and needless to say a jolly time was spent.

### BROOKS GETS CANNERY

Brooks, Jan. 25.—Plans have been completed by Eddington Canning Co. of Springville, Utah, for the building of a modern cannery in Brooks. Construction will commence within a few weeks and equipment will be installed to handle a minimum pack of 125,000 cases of peas for the 1946 season. The 1946 operation will be confined to peas but it is anticipated that other vegetables will be included as soon as possible.

### TREE PLANTING IN ALTA

The forestry branch of the Alberta Government supplied between 400 and 500 farms with certain varieties of trees in 1945. T. F. Beifgen provincial director of forestry, estimates that 375,000 trees took root in Alberta soil. He estimates that 500,000 young trees will be planted in Alberta in 1946.

The seedling trees available are: White spruce, lodgepole pine, Scotch pine, Douglas fir, Bur oak, Green ash, Red oak, American elm, Laurel and Leaf Willow, Golden Willow and northwest poplar.

These seedlings are to provide windbreaks and wood lots for farmers.

### ARDENONE

By Mrs. H. S.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Olson are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, February 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Wise entertained a few friends at bridge Saturday evening last.

We are sorry to hear of Mrs. J. Seelie, being in the hospital but we sincerely hope for a very speedy recovery for her.

Mr. C. O. Dawson spent a few days visiting in Calgary this week.

### CHEADLE

By B. W.

The annual meeting of the Cheadle W. W. was held at the home of Mrs. D. Heckle on Wednesday, January 30. Election of officers were as follows: Mrs. L. Welshimer, President; Mrs. D. Keer, Vice-Pres.; Sec. Treas. Mrs. P. Welshimer; Sec. to Sick, Mrs. R. McDougall; Red Cross Convener, Mrs. Sugden. A delicious luncheon was served by the hostess.

A friendly housewarming was held on February 4th for Mrs. Jack Hirtle at their home. Many well-wishers gathered to wish the young couple happiness in their new home. A presentation of a lovely pair of blankets was made by Mr. Ian Keer. "For They are Jolly Good Fellows" was sung as the gathering prepared to depart.

An unfortunate accident occurred to Mr. Jack Hirtle on February 4th when he was struck in the face by a hockey stick at practice. The accident was very painful to the victim.

Robert Hagen motored to Banff over the week end to play hockey with the Strathmore team. Rev. McDonald, Jack Hirtle and Pete Torginson went to aid the team as well.

A wide epidemic of colds has swept the Cheadle district.

## Make Survey Alberta Crossings

The elimination of many grade crossings in Alberta and in other parts of the west is projected for this year, according to officials of the Alberta Motor Association.

A survey of the whole situation is being made by officials of the federal board of transport commissioners. Provincial and federal officials have been consulted as to projects in which they are interested.

Estimates of the cost of eliminating these grade crossings are to be submitted to the board by various city authorities in the west. Afterward, the board will decide on the extent of the program and the extent of any required participation in the cost on the part of the provincial and municipal authorities.

Some years ago the board of railway commissioners were provided by the federal government with a fund of \$1,000,000 for the elimination of grade crossings.

Now that the war is over, the board is in a position to do more in the way

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of improving these crossings and reducing the accident hazards.

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